

**SCHOOL COMMITTEE MEETING
MEETING MINUTES
January 16, 2013**

MEMBERS OF THE SCHOOL, COMMITTEE PRESENT:

Mayanne Briggs, Chair	Joe Heisler, Vice Chair	Kevin Coughlin	
Jen Barsamian	Dimitria Sullivan	Tom Ryan	Susan Butler-Walko

MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL ADMINISTRATION PRESENT:

June Doe, Superintendent
Cynthia Kelly, Assistant Superintendent
Michael LaFrancesca, Assistant to the Superintendent for Business
Kathy Gaudreau, Director Special Education

Meeting began at 7:05 p.m.

RECOGNITION OF THE JOHN AND ABIGAIL ADAMS SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS:

Dinner Reception for all students and their parents held at 6:15. Superintendent June Doe congratulated the 53 seniors' individually:

Miroslava Abramchuk, Gabriella Amato, Sarah Beaudoin, Caitlyn Brennan, William Carroll, Jamie Carty, Katelyn Conlon, Kayla Costa, Andrea Crowley, Conor Curran, Carol Deleconio, Anthony DelMonaco, Laura DiRaffaele, Kristen Donohue, Kerianne Downing, Hayley Driscoll, Michael Gaetani, Megan Gallagher, Renee Gassler, Hadi Ghantous, Jessica Girgis, Ryan Goodwin, Olivia Gullotti, Emily Hill, Richard Jonson, Karine Keyrouz, George Kokinidis, Alexander Kyriakis, Kristin Lebovitz, Stacy Louissaint, Scott MacNeil, Annelise Mahoney, Ellen Masalsky, Angel Morales, Colin Murphy, Alexander "Victor" Naeve, Katie Nosky, Marko Onyskiv, Madeline Perez, Zachary Perez, Matthew Pezzone, Nicholas Ray, Anne Reardon, Veronica Rose, Nicholas Rumpp, Kevin Rush, Joseph Ryan, Kayla Sharpe, Bryan Simone, David St. Cyr, Mary St. Cyr, Mark Turner, and Justin Vitiello

SUPERINTENENT'S UPDATE:

ECEC – The annual Kindergarten Information Night will be held tomorrow evening at 7:00 p.m. in the gym. This is for all incoming kindergarteners for the 2013-2014 school year, and an opportunity to get acquainted with the Principal. Saturday, the ECEC PTO is sponsoring a special event called the Toe Jam Puppet Band, sponsored by the PTO at the ECEC at 11:00 in the gym – open to the community.

OAKDALE SCHOOL – The Annual PJ Day and Caroling for Coins on Dec. 21st where student council members went classroom to classroom singing holiday classics raising \$500 which was donated to 4C's for Kids, a local nonprofit organization helping children. Ms. Jodi Zebarth will be doing her administrative internship under Ms. Armstrong's guidance at the Oakdale School beginning in February.

GREENLODGE SCHOOL – The Skylab visited the Greenlodge School this week. The third grade classes each attended a one hour presentation on the stars and solar system thru the generosity of the Dedham Education Foundation. 4th and 5th graders are participating in the Greenlodge Children's Book Award, a reading incentive program organized by reading specialists Maura Shevory and Lauren Patts. The class that reads the most books each month will earn a visit from Bamboo, the reading dog.

RIVERDALE SCHOOL – Enrichment classes started this week. Student at Riverdale have the opportunity to take courses such as yoga, art, karate, creative crafts, biology and more. January 21 Riverdale students have the opportunity to visit the Noble and Greenough School for an ice skating party from 1-2:30. In addition, all Riverdale students will enjoy a visit from the Chinese Acrobats group on January 22nd at 2:00.

MIDDLE SCHOOL – Seven students from grade 7 & 8 have been working with residents at New Bridge on the Charles for the past 8 weeks. The program concluded at the end of the month. The faculty advisor is Arlene Tracey and the Youth Commission provided transportation to and from New Bridge. Health and Wellness Advisor Paul Hallion will present “Myths about Marijuana” to parents from DMS and DHS with the DMS meeting on Feb. 6 at 6:30 p.m., sponsored by Dedham MS Parent Group.

REPORTS

SBRC – MASTER PLAN

Motion to approve the master plan study with those changes made by Mrs. Sullivan, seconded by Mrs. Butler-Walko, voted unanimous.

Dave Roberts would be the Capital Expenditures Committee Member.

GUIDANCE REPORT

Dr. McCormick, Director of DHS Guidance Dept. reported on updates and events happening in the Guidance Dept.

UPCOMING DATES:

Public Hearing on February 6th

Presenting budget on February 13th

Budget Sub Committee on Jan. 23rd

Next SC meeting – FL Dept report – Jan. 30th

Public hearing – Feb. 6

Vote on Budget Feb. 13

OLD BUSINESS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Coughlin motioned to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2012 School Committee meeting, Mrs. Butler-Walko seconded, voted unanimous.

Mr. Coughlin motioned to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2012 School Committee Meeting, Mrs. Butler-Walko seconded, voted unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS

Mrs. Sullivan announced to the she will not be a candidate for re-election to the School Committee

Susan Walko-Butler reminded parent that there is a survey on the DPS homepage which is sponsored by the DHS School Council

OLD BUSINESS

None

DONATIONS:

- The Dedham Junior Woman’s Club donated \$1,250 to the Elementary and Middle School 5 libraries, \$250 to each. Mrs. Sullivan made the motion made to accept the \$1250 donation from the Dedham Junior Woman’s Club with grateful appreciation, Mrs. Buter-Walko seconded with grateful appreciation, voted unanimous.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

Motion to go into executive session under Exemption 3 for the purpose of discussion with respect to collective bargaining with union and non-union contracts.

Meeting Ended at 9:10 p.m.